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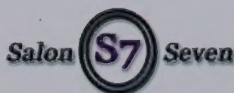
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In these difficult economic times we are especially grateful to receive sufficient support to continue this festival. It is due to the many visionaries among us who understand that events such as ours contribute to making Colorado Springs a more balanced and inclusive community for all our residents. Thank you to all our sponsors and audience members for everything you've done to help bring the Pikes Peak Lavender Film Festival to its 11th year.

We have a fabulous three days in store filled with a variety of poignant, provocative, and informative films. Our main goal is to lift your spirits. Think of the festival as your mini *gay*-cation where you can put aside your earthly concerns for this one special weekend and come join the fun!

Typically we've opened with a romantic female comedy but we are switching gears and leading things off with a powerful and controversial men's film. In line with our commitment to provide you with movies from across the LBGT spectrum you'll see stories featuring historical and contemporary women and an excellent transgender documentary, but gay men's films dominated the field of quality movies to choose from. There is a movie for everyone and we feel any one can enjoy any movie in our festival because they are ultimately stories of unusual, loving, or conflicted human relationships.

We urge you to return on Saturday and Sunday to see more of the best LBGT films of the year right here in Colorado Springs, jewel of the Front Range.

A few of our films deal with difficult subjects that are seldom mentioned and are taboo even within the LBGT community. We hope to expand discussions and challenge our audiences to think about topics we often ignore or overlook. There are advantages to a small festival like ours. We are pleased to welcome Scott Boswell, director of **The Stranger In Us**, a sharply perceptive movie about abuse in a relationship. Three members of the cast: Raphael Barker, Scott Cox, and Adam Perez, will be here too—all weekend. They will engage us in a conversation after the screening of their film on Saturday evening. You can visit with them again at our Sunday brunch and could potentially run into any of them while attending movies or parties during the entire festival event.

We have a new production team that, thanks to their energy and enthusiasm, did a great job marketing the festival this year. We would love more volunteers, especially women, to join the board. The production process may not be as glamorous as the event itself, but it is satisfying and challenging work. If you'd like to learn more about this opportunity, speak to a producer or let us know on an evaluation form. We'll be happy to talk further with you.

Thank you, Colorado Springs, for keeping us alive and thriving. Enjoy the festival and let us know how you think we can improve the event. This is our gift to you. Have Fun!!!

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6 p.m. Catered Reception with complimentary wine and beer

7:15 p.m. Celebrating 11 years: Introductions and Acknowledgements

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7:40: SHORTFILM: PEKING TURKEY

directed by Michael Mew 2006 Canada 12 min. Travel along with Chris Wong as he takes his French Canadian boyfriend home for some Christmas *Peking Turkey*.



FEATURE FILM: FROM BEGINNING TO END (*Do Começo Ao Fim*) directed by Aluizio Abranches, 2009 Brazil/Argentina/Spain 95 min in Portuguese and Spanish with English subtitles

From the director of *The Three Marias*, this lush family drama of taboo romance is the story of two young half brothers whose intense childhood bond becomes tangled in adult infatuation. Love is complicated. But, it's rarely this complicated. As the brothers grow up, their intimacy, while innocent, begins to concern the adults around them. Oblivious, the boys are happy, their love full of protective fraternal affection. Fifteen years later, on the night of their mother's funeral, the brothers are alone together. With nothing left to lose or hide, they find comfort in each others' arms. The younger brother Thomas is invited to train for the Olympics in Russia for three years. Having never been apart, can their forbidden love withstand the separation? Brazilian audiences flocked to this controversial and complex film. The two young actors radiate chemistry, and in this poetic film we move away from sensationalism toward intimate authenticity.

Saturday, September 25th

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11:00: SHORT FILM: THE ARMOIRE

directed by Jamie Travis 2009 Canada 22 min.

The resounding finale to his *Saddest Children in the World* trilogy is a comedy, mystery and melodrama based on a game of Hide and Seek gone bizarrely awry.



FEATURE FILM: THE PURPLE SEA

directed by Donatella Maiorca 2009 Italy 106 min in Italian with English subtitles

This sensuous melodrama explores the old world tradition of women passing for men. Based on a true story in 19th century Sicily, rebellious Angela is considered to be possessed by evil and must endure brutality from her authoritarian father. When Angela's childhood friend Sara returns from the mainland, their friendship deepens. Angela's father insists she marry. She refuses and is imprisoned in the cellar. Angela's mother, in order to save her child, decides that Angela will become Angelo. Angelo and Sara are free to marry but tragedy ensues that threatens their happiness. Cinematically, beautiful this is a compelling movie that all will enjoy.

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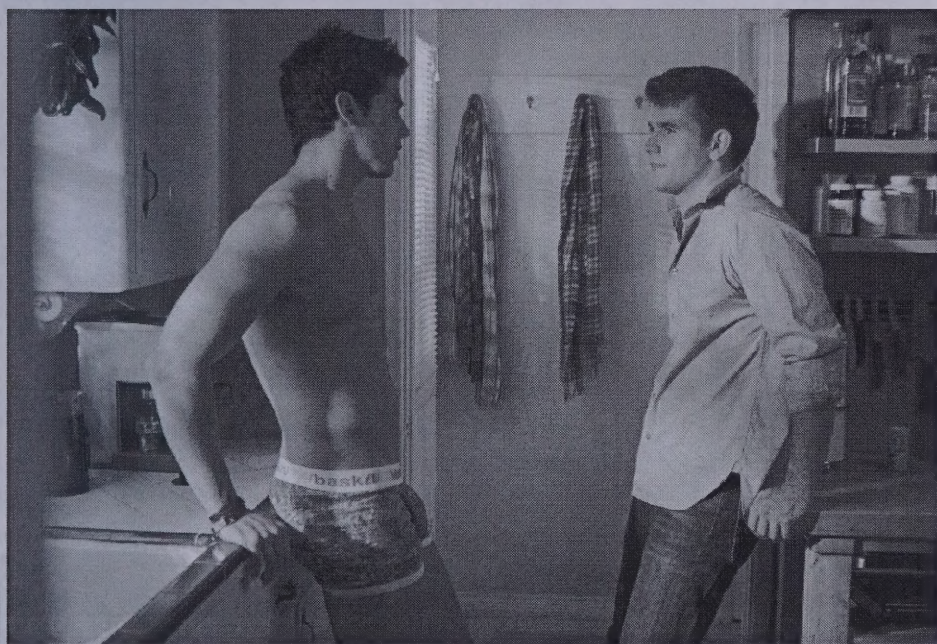
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1:45: SHORT FILM: GO GO REJECT directed by Michael Saul
2010 USA 20 min.

A skinny, naïve go go dancer meets with unexpected rejection when he attempts to fulfill his childhood *Flashdance* fantasy.

FEATURE FILM: IS IT JUST ME? directed by J. C. Calciano 2010 USA 93 min
Painfully single writer Blaine is reminded daily of his awkwardness around other L.A. gays who are more sexual. While on a personal quest to find a guy who possesses more substance, Blaine meets Xander, a new arrival in town, in an online chat room. They connect on an intimate level and decide to meet in



person. Unbeknownst to Blaine he has logged into his hot roommate Cameron's online profile. Things quickly get crazy as Blaine enlists Cameron to play along with this deceit of Xander. Blaine pretends to be someone he's not. Can Blaine and Xander cut through all the deception to find their way to each other in this hilarious romantic comedy?

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4:30: SHORT FILM: FRESH AIR THERAPY

directed by Christopher Scheermann 2009 Germany, 6 min. Sometimes the best therapy doesn't involve talking.



FEATURE FILM: ELENA UNDONE

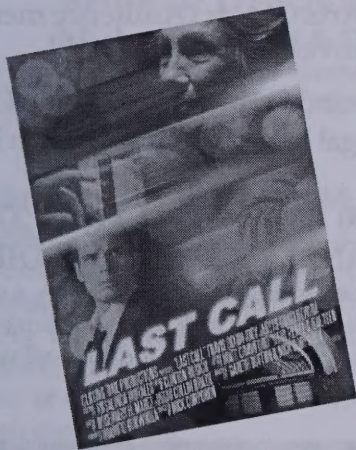
directed by Nicole Conn 2010 USA 100 min
With captivating drama and passionate sex and romance, *Elena Undone* combines the enchantment of falling in love with the responsibilities of commitments. Before meeting Peyton, falling for a woman was unimaginable for Elena, a straight wife and mother. The friendship between Peyton, an out



lesbian writer, and Elena, the wife of an anti-gay preacher transforms into a torrid extramarital affair. Elena, recognizing she is caught in a loveless marriage can barely begin to rationalize the magnitude of her desires. Can Elena leave her husband and enjoy true love? The director tackles issues of religion, sex, family and commitment in this story of lovers and the obstacles they face.

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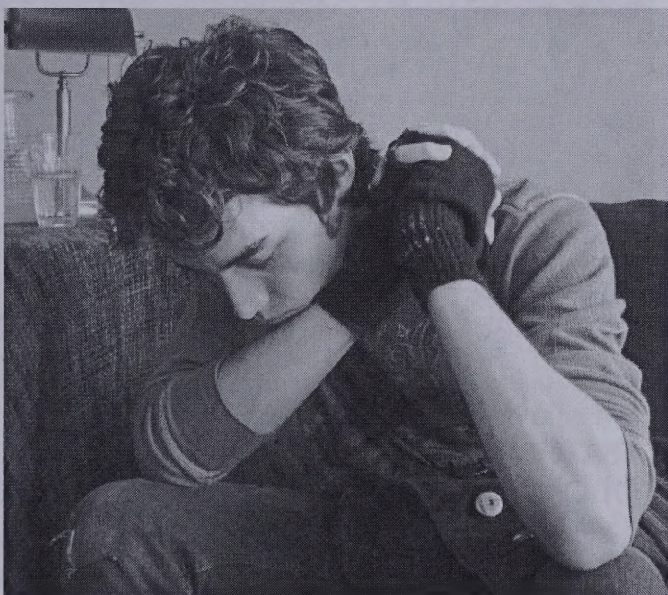
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LAST CALL directed by
Nick Corporon 2009 USA 18
min.

An alcoholic man who is on
his way to reconcile with
the love of his life dies, but
then is given the chance to
relive select moments from
his life.

FEATURE FILM: THE STRANGER IN US directed by Scott Boswell 2010 USA 106

Like many young
gay men before him,
small-town Virginian
Anthony arrives in
San Francisco wide-
eyed and eager to
soak up his new
surroundings. But the
cozy bubble of nights
spent writing poetry
in coffee shops and
playing house with
Stephen, the older
boyfriend he barely
knows, bursts when
Stephen's anger turns
abusive. Anthony
then meets Gavin
and begins work at
a local movie theater.



Gavin is an underage hustler who acts as guide and enabler to Anthony. Moving across time, this feature is a bold, sympathetic portrait of the struggles, pleasures and perils of losing and regaining oneself. Followed by Q & A with director Scott Boswell and actors: Raphael Barker, Scott Cox and Adam Perez.

After Party at Underground, Nevada & Kiowa

Sunday, September 26

11:00 A.M. BRUNCH WITH FESTIVAL PRODUCERS & SPECIAL GUESTS: Scott Boswell, Raphael Barker, Scott Cox and Adam Perez at Amuzé at the Fine Arts Center (Audience members may purchase food and join the conversation)

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12:30 P.M. SHORT FILM: THE JOANS: MAD AT THE DIRT:

directed by Peter Neville 2009 USA, 4 min.
A Chicago based rock band is dedicated to giving Joan Crawford a rock and roll voice.



FEATURE FILM: BEAUTIFUL DARLING: THE LIFE AND TIMES OF CANDY DARLING, ANDY WARHOL SUPERSTAR directed by James Rasin 2010 USA 85 min.

Candy Darling was the queen of Andy Warhol's Factory in the early 1970's. Born James Slattery in 1944 on Long Island, N. Y., Candy knew at a young age that she was different. She dreamed of being a movie star and left her unhappy home for New York City. Candy met Warhol and the other glamour girls Jackie Curtis and Holly Woodlawn but fame and happiness were fleeting. Her close friend Jeremiah Newton spent decades pouring through her diaries, gathering interviews and memorabilia to create this amazing portrait of one of the great transgender forerunners. This is a film about a person who dared to live her dream to become her own artful creation.

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GENTLY directed by Ricki Beadie-Blair 2009 UK 15 min A Brit's twenty-first birthday turns topsy-turvy when his best mate tries to draw him out of the closet with the help of two drag queens and two high class hookers.



FEATURE FILM: EYES WIDE OPEN (Einaym Phukot) directed by Haim Tabakman 2009 Israel and Germany 91 min in Hebrew with English subtitles

Premiering at Cannes, *Eyes Wide Open* is a taut tale of forbidden love. Equal parts first-rate independent art cinema and fascinating anthropological study of a tightly-knit Orthodox Jewish Community in Jerusalem, the film offers poignant insights into another culture. Aaron runs a kosher butcher's shop. When he hires Ezri, he is confronted by feelings he thought he dispensed with long ago. *Eyes Wide Open* establishes an array of impassioned emotions and a slow burn of unspoken eroticism that satisfyingly smolders throughout the movie.

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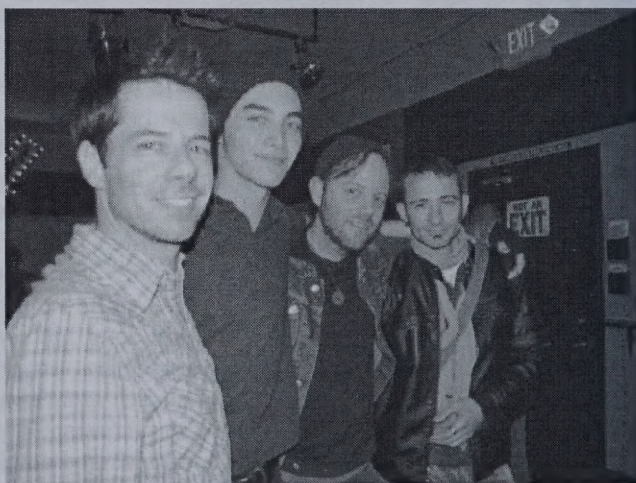
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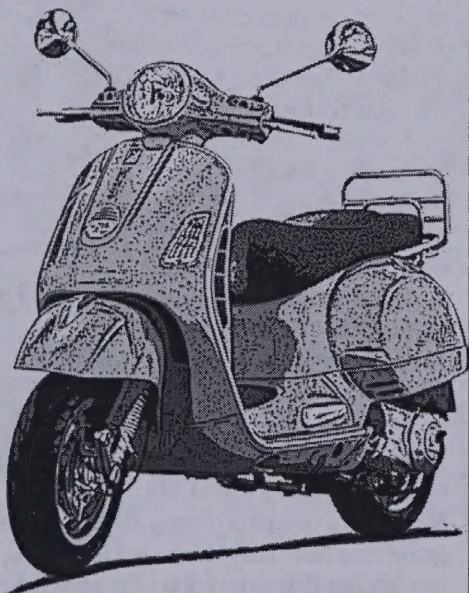
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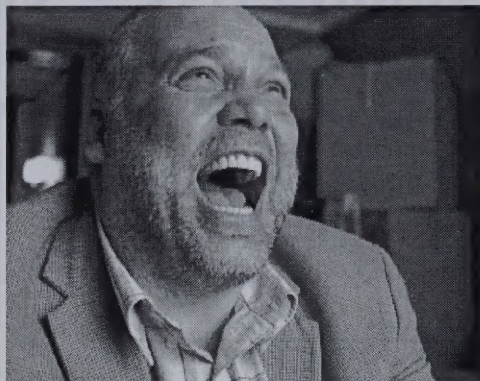


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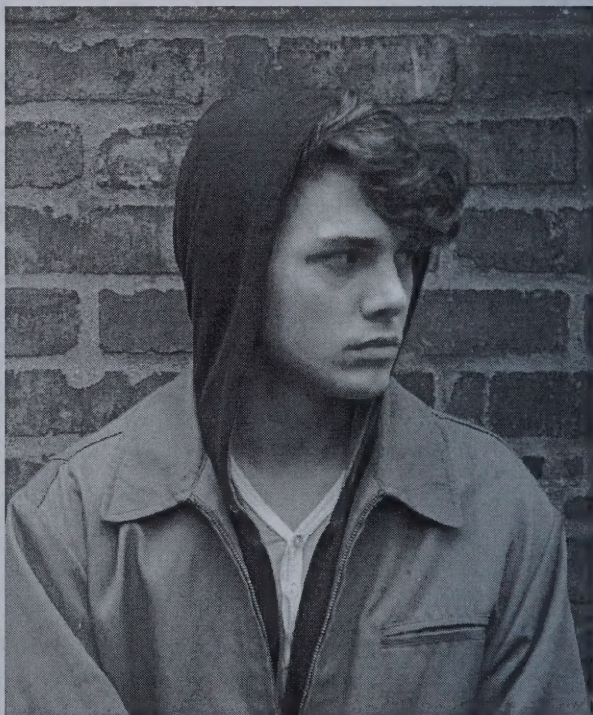
5:15 p.m. Short Film: THE NEW TENANTS directed by Joachim Black 2009 Denmark/USA, 20 min. Set amidst unopened boxes and hopes for a fresh start for two men on what might be the worst moving day ever, their new apartment reveals its terrifying history in a film that is by turns funny, frightening and unexpectedly romantic.

Won Best Short Film at the Academy Awards, 2009.

FEATURE FILM: I KILLED MY MOTH-

ER (J'ai tué ma mère) directed by Xavier Dolan 2009 Canada 96 min. in French with English subtitles.

Hubert Minel is a typical teenager in almost every sense: he is narcissistic, has mediocre grades, experiments with drugs, is defining himself sexually, and he hates his mother. She is a divorcee with a penchant for tanning and wearing tight, shiny clothes, Chantle is absent-minded and exasperating but holds her own in their bickering. When Hubert is unwittingly outed to his mother, their already-strained relationship hits a breaking point. *I Killed My*



Mother is a complex drama about how relationships constantly regress, change and grow, and how easy it is to get lost along the way. Wickedly humorous, the characters are familiar to anyone who has endured adolescence.

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7:45 P.M. SHORT FILM: T4-2

directed by Allegra Hirschman 2009
USA, 4 min.

A picture-perfect heterosexual
marriage is revealed to be a little more
queerly complicated in this slyly
comedic short.



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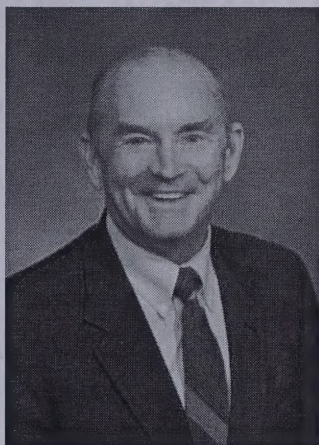
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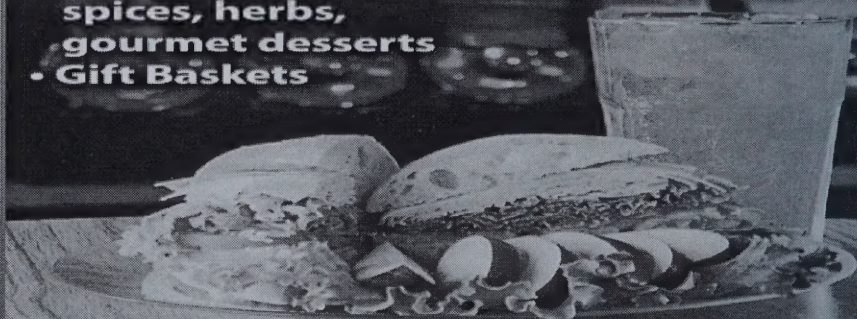
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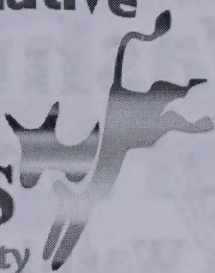
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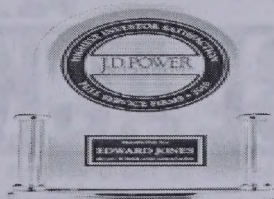
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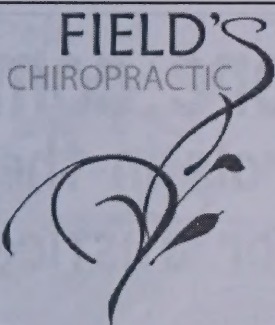
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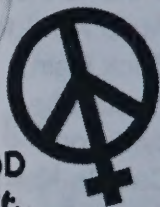
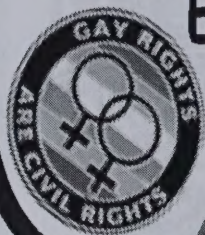
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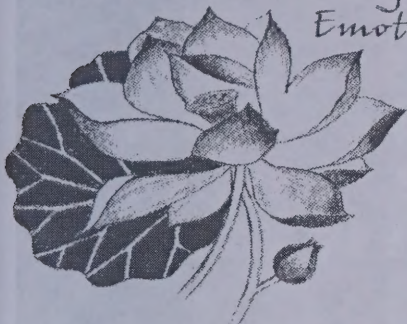
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Pam, an African American, served in the military and rose to the rank of Captain and piloted helicopters.

After her honorable discharge, Pam joined the Colorado Springs firefighters. Pam moved up the ranks to become the first woman battalion chief. Butler died of fast growing cancer which is believed to be work related from exposure to chemicals.

She is sadly missed. (From the PFLAG Newsletter)



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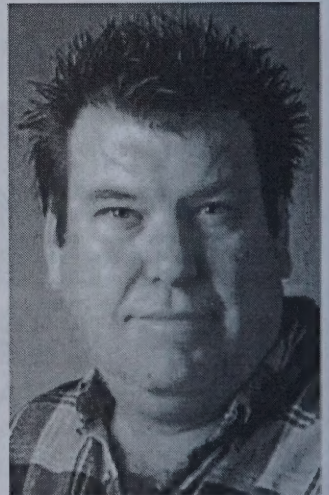
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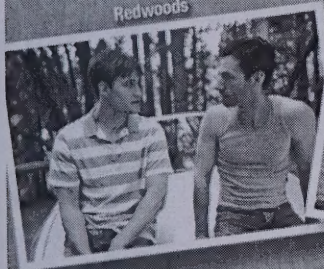
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